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Committee: Transportation

A BILL

- FOR AN ACT relating to license plates; to amend section 60-311,
 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change fees for
 issuance of license plates; to provide an operative date;
 and to repeal the original section.
- Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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Section 1. Section 60-311, Reissue Revised Statutes of

- 2 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 3 60-311. (1) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall
- 4 furnish to every person whose motor vehicle is registered fully
- 5 reflectorized number plates upon which shall be displayed (a) the
- 6 registration number assigned to such motor vehicle in figures not
- 7 less than two and one-half inches nor more than three inches in
- 8 height and (b) also the word Nebraska suitably lettered so as to be
- 9 attractive. Two plates shall be furnished for every motor vehicle,
- 10 except that one plate per vehicle shall be furnished for dealers,
- 11 motorcycles, truck-tractors, semitrailers, trailers, cabin
- 12 trailers, buses, and vehicles registered pursuant to section
- 13 60-305.09. The plates shall be of a color designated by the
- 14 Director of Motor Vehicles. The color of the plates shall be
- 15 changed each time the license plates are changed. Each time the
- 16 license plates are changed the director shall secure competitive
- 17 bids for materials pursuant to sections 81-145 to 81-163.01.
- 18 (2) Except for plates issued pursuant to section
- 19 60-305.16, number plates shall be issued every three years
- 20 beginning with the number plates issued in the year 1984. In the
- 21 years in which plates are not issued, in lieu of furnishing such
- 22 plates, the department shall furnish to every person whose motor
- 23 vehicle is registered one or two renewal tabs, as the case may be,
- 24 which renewal tabs shall bear the year for which furnished and be
- 25 so constructed as to permit them to be permanently affixed to the
- 26 plates.
- 27 (3) The department may provide a distinctive license
- 28 plate for all motor vehicles owned or operated by the state,

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1 counties, municipalities, or school districts. Such

- 2 government-owned motor vehicles shall display such distinctive
- 3 license plates when such license plates are issued or shall display
- 4 undercover license plates when such license plates are issued under
- 5 section 60-304.
- 6 (4) The department shall provide a distinctive plate for
- 7 issuance pursuant to section 60-305.16.
- 8 (5) Whenever new license plates, including duplicate or
- 9 replacement license plates, are furnished to any person, a fee of
- 10 one dollar and fifty seventy cents per plate shall be charged in
- 11 addition to all other required fees. Such fee shall cover the cost
- 12 of the plate and renewal tabs. All fees collected pursuant to this
- 13 section shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the
- 14 Highway Trust Fund.
- 15 (6) There is hereby created the License Plate Cash Fund
- 16 which shall consist of money transferred to it pursuant to section
- 17 39-2215. All costs associated with the manufacture of license
- 18 plates and stickers or tabs provided for in this section and
- 19 sections 60-311.02 and 60-1804 shall be paid from funds
- 20 appropriated from the License Plate Cash Fund. The fund shall be
- 21 used exclusively for such purposes and shall be administered by the
- 22 department. Any money in the fund available for investment shall
- 23 be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the
- 24 Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds
- 25 Investment Act.
- 26 Sec. 2. This act becomes operative on January 1, 2000.
- 27 Sec. 3. Original section 60-311, Reissue Revised
- 28 Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.